

PRESS RELEASE

Erik C. Peterson
United States Attorney
Western District of Wisconsin
(608) 264-5158
TTY (608) 264-5006
www.usdoj.gov/usao/wiw

For Immediate Release

April 17, 2007

Contact Person

Robert A. Anderson
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Josiah T. Nixon, 28, of Hermantown, Minnesota, was sentenced today by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 12 months in federal prison, without the possibility of parole, for unlawfully possessing an SKS rifle as a convicted felon in October 2005. Nixon pleaded guilty to this charge on January 22, 2007.

The charges against Josiah T. Nixon were the result of an investigation conducted by the Superior Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert A. Anderson.

##